REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the foregoing amendments and following arguments is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 has been amended. No new matter has been added as a result of this amendment.

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Cardarelli (U.S. Patent No. 4,405,360). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Cardarelli discloses a resin composition that contains a polyamide resin, derivatives of phosphoric acid esters and a chemical agent having a pesticidal property. Table 5 of Cardarelli shows that the effect of the chemical agent in this resin composition is maintained for a prolonged period of time when the composition is used in water or soil.

In contrast, the present invention provides a resin composition that not only exhibits pesticidal activity for a prolonged period of time, but also exhibits the strength, heat resistance and chemical resistance needed for the resin composition to be useful as a structural member of a TV receiver, computer or the like (see the specification, pages 2 and 3). In order to produce the effects described above, the resin composition in amended claim 1 contains at least one compound "(B)" selected from sulfone amide derivatives, sulfonic acid ester derivatives, carboxylic acid amide derivatives or carboxylic acid ester derivatives. Specific examples of these compounds are described in the specification on page 4, line 18 – page 8, line 13. Applicant submits that Cardarelli does not disclose a pesticidal resin composition that contains at least one of these "B" compounds. Therefore, because each and every element of the claimed invention is not disclosed in Cardarelli, Applicants submit that this rejection should be withdrawn.

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